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Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Co  
Omaha, Neb. March 5<sup>th</sup> 1886

Messrs Clark Dodge &amp; Co

51 Wall Street, New York.

Gentlemen,

Your favor of the 1<sup>st</sup> inst enclosing communications from the Hon G. M. Fox Supt Philadelphia Mint, is received.

This is a very serious matter and we wish to investigate it fully. We wish you would send a man to Philadelphia, at our expense, with instructions to ascertain all the facts in the case, and to procure <sup>the</sup> pieces of metal claimed to have been in our bar \$24424, paying for the same the amount claimed by Mr Fox.

It seems utterly impossible that the quantity of metal claimed, could have <sup>been</sup> concealed in the bar of silver without the knowledge of the workman who was dipping the silver, and it is with a view of tracing the responsibility where it belongs that we desire to have the pieces of metal, which you will please forward us by express.

We hardly think it is necessary for you to assure Mr Fox on our behalf, of our innocence of any intention of wrong in this matter.

We return letters herewith. Yours truly  
(Signed) Guy C. Barton <sup>pres</sup>



P. O.  
Box 1829.

Office of CLARK, DODGE &amp; CO.,

51 WALL STREET,

New York, 9<sup>th</sup> March 1886

Paul M Fox Esq  
 Sup<sup>t</sup> of the Mint  
 Philadelphia Pa  
 Sir

In accordance with  
 your favor 26<sup>th</sup> ulto. we have enclosed our  
 Ch<sup>g</sup> your favor \$45.<sup>20</sup>. We also hand you  
 by the bearer herof. a copy of letter rec<sup>d</sup>  
 from our Correspondent Omaha & want to ac<sup>k</sup>  
 and will thank you to furnish the facilities  
 asked for to him —

Very Respy yrs

Clark Dodge & Co

## Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,

March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1886.

Received from David H. Fox. Supt. of the Mint  
check of James Clark Dodge & Co., for \$45.<sup>20</sup>/<sub>100</sub> in full  
settlement for fragments of lost Iron Vessel found in  
a Bar of Silver, as per my letter addressed to him  
under date of 26<sup>th</sup> ulto.

J A C Booth

h. R.

[Letter One:]

Copy

Omaha & Grant Smelting & Refining Co.  
Omaha, Neb.  
March 5, 1886

Messrs. Clark Dodge & Co.  
51 Wall Street, New York

Gentlemen,

Your favor of the 1st inst. enclosing communications from the Hon. D.M. Fox Supt. Philadelphia, mint, is received.

This is a very serious matter and we wish to investigate it fully. We wish you would send a man to Philadelphia, at our expense, with instructions to ascertain all the fact in the case, and to procure the pieces of metal claimed to have been in our bar #27424, paying for the same the amount claimed by Mr. Fox.

It seems utterly impossible that the quantity of metal claimed could have been concealed in the bar of silver without the knowledge of the workman who was dipping the silver, and it is with a view of tracing the responsibility where it belongs that we desire to have the pieces of metal, which you will please forward us by express.

We hardly think it is necessary for you to assure Mr. Fox on our behalf, of our innocence of any intention of wrong in this matter.

We return letters herewith.  
Yours Truly  
(Signed) Guy C. Baxter  
Prest.

[Letter Two:]

Office of Clark, Dodge & Co.,  
New York,  
March 9, 1886

Danl. M. Fox Esq.  
Supt. of the Mint  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir

In accordance with your favor 26 ulto. we hand enclosed our ch. your favor \$45.20. We also hand you by the bearer hereof a copy of letter recd. from our correspondents Omaha Grant Jr. & Co. and will thank you to furnish the facilities asked for to him.

Very Respy. Yours  
Clark Dodger & Co.

[Letter Three:]

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia,  
March 10, 1886

Received form Danl. M. Fox, Supt. of the Mint Check of Messrs. Clark, Dodge & Co., for \$45.20 in full settlement for fragments of Cast Iron vessel found in a Bar of Silver, as per my letter addressed to him under date of 26th ulto.

Jas. C. Booth  
M & R